City of Chula Vista 276 Fourth Avenue Chula Vista, Ca 91910



August 8, 2008

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF **REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

UNIVERSITY AND SOUTH OTAY RANCH VILLAGES

The Planning and Building Department of the City of Chula Vista is searching for a qualified multi-disciplinary consultant firm(s) to provide Planning, Environmental and Engineering services for entitlements on the southern portion of the Otay Ranch Planned Community. The resultant mixed-use developments will complete entitlements on the Otay Valley Parcel of the Otay Ranch.

We are excited to release this RFQ for the review, preparation and processing of entitlements on the southern portion of the Otay Ranch. This project will be an opportunity to act as an extension of City Staff as we prepare our recommendations for several exceptionally planned and designed new communities.

For more information, please call me at (619) 691.5114, or email nlytle@ci.chulavista.ca.us. The RFQ is also available on the City's website: www.chulavistaca.gov.

Sincerely,

Nancy Maddox Lytle AICP Acting Director of Planning

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Introduction

The City of Chula Vista and the County of San Diego approved the Otay Ranch General Development Plan (GDP) in 1993, creating the 22,899-acre Otay Ranch Planned Community (Exhibit A – Otay Ranch Locator Map). The western portion of Otay Ranch, comprising approximately 9,300 acres was annexed to the City of Chula Vista in 1997. With Guiding Principles that encourage walkability, mixed use, designing for alternative modes of transportation as well as the preservation of a large open space preserve, the Otay Ranch has proven to be a model for master planned communities throughout the state. While approximately half of the villages that constitute the Otay Ranch have been built or entitled, approximately 2,200 acres remain in their natural state and are yet to be entitled or developed. This project will entitle the remaining portions of the Otay Ranch.

The City of Chula Vista updated its General Plan in December of 2005. At the time of this adoption, action on the majority of the project site was deferred.

Project

In May and April of 2008, the City of Chula Vista entered into two separate Land Offer Agreements (LOAs) with two separate landowners in order to secure land for the University and Regional Technology Park envisioned in the Chula Vista General Plan. The LOAs generally provide each landowner the opportunity to develop a maximum of 13,400 dwelling units combined between both ownerships in exchange for approximately 210 acres of land conveyed to the City of Chula Vista for use as a University and Regional Technology Park. As part of the LOAs (Exhibit B – Draft LOA Map), the City is committed to concurrently process comprehensive General Plan (GP) and Otay Ranch GDP Amendments for both owners, in addition to four (4) Sectional Planning Area (SPA) Plans, and five (5) Tentative Maps for the remaining Otay Ranch villages (Villages 3, 4, 8, 9 and 10) within a strict 24-month period, accompanied by five (5) Environmental Impact Reports (EIR) (Exhibit C - Draft Processing Schedule). As a matter of note, SPA plans are large land use entitlement documents similar to specific plans used in other jurisdictions.

Overview of Work

The ideal consultant or consultant team must have the demonstrated ability, experience and depth to quickly and efficiently respond to an extremely large volume of work under an aggressive and non-negotiable 24-month timeline. The selected multi-disciplinary consultant will be responsible for analyzing and processing the project under the supervision of the City's Planning Department. The GP and Otay Ranch GDP Amendments will be initiated first, followed by project-level SPA Plans for each of the Planning Areas. The City's 2005 GP and GDP Amendment EIR was prepared by RECON Environmental, Inc., with technical subcontractors. These firms may or may

not increase the efficiency of the project, based on the experience and the consultants' inhouse capability.

General Plan and Otay Ranch General Development Plan Amendments:

The applicants will prepare applications outlining the scope of the proposed GP and GDP Amendments associated with the project, including proposed GP text and graphics and proposed GDP text and graphics. Consultant or consultant team tasks will include the following:

- Evaluation and preparation of proposed General Plan Amendments policy, text and mapping amendments including those necessary to implement modifications to the village boundaries and permissible land uses and unit counts. In addition, evaluate modifications to the boundaries of the Multiple Species Conservation Plan (MSCP) and the Otay Ranch Resource Management Plan (RMP) associated with the proposed project.
- Evaluation and preparation of proposed Otay Ranch GDP Amendments including, but not limited to, policy, text, tabular and mapping amendments to modify village boundaries, permissible land uses and permissible unit counts.
- Preparation of EIR the selected consultant or consultant team will prepare and process all technical reports and an EIR for the above entitlements in conformance with the California Environmental Quality Act as well as the City of Chula Vista's environmental policies.
- Organization of Public Outreach the selected consultant or consultant team will organize and facilitate quarterly public outreach sessions.

Sectional Planning Area (SPA) Plans

The selected consultant or consultant team will report directly to City staff and will be responsible for reviewing the following documents submitted by the applicants for compliance with the City of Chula Vista's Policy and Regulatory requirements:

Sectional Planning Area (SPA) Plans – the City expects the applicant to submit four separate SPA Plans. In addition to the SPA Plan, the submittal will include Design Plans, zoning regulations, Public Facility Financing Plans, Affordable Housing Plans, Air Quality Improvement Plans, Water Conservation Plans, Fire Protection Plans infrastructure plans, utility plans and other documents as stipulated in the Title 19 of the City of Chula Vista's Municipal Code (Section 19.48.090) and supplemented by the SPA Implementation Tasks identified in the Otay Ranch GDP (Page 406).

• EIRs – in addition to the GP EIR, the City expects the applicant to concurrently submit four draft EIRs (one for each proposed planning area). These documents will

need to be evaluated and modified to meet city policy, standards, thresholds and the California Environmental Quality Act to the satisfaction of the Planning Department.

- Review of Technical Studies the City expects the applicant to submit technical studies and master plans necessary to support the SPA Plans and EIRs, including but not limited to, traffic and circulation, soils/geotechnical, water, wastewater and air quality. These plans must be evaluated, and if necessary supplemented and amended, to determine that they are in conformance with the City of Chula Vista's policies, standards and practices.
- Tentative Maps (TM) the City expects the applicant to concurrently submit five (5) Tentative Maps (one for each proposed planning area).

Engineering Services

The ideal consultant or consultant team shall serve as an extension of staff services in reviewing and commenting on the following but not limited to: technical reports, engineering utility and infrastructure plans, preliminary tentative maps, final maps, grading plans, and drainage plans. The consultant will report to the Director of Engineering for this particular work effort and will be responsible for reviewing these plans and maps in accordance with City and State standards.

Required Qualifications

It is anticipated that much of this work will take place concurrently, the ideal consultant(s) must demonstrate their experience and ability to handle this large project inhouse (or identify portions that will be sub-contracted out) and within the given timeframe. Prior experience with General Plans and other policy documents, specific plans, zoning regulations, preparation and review of environmental documents and engineering review will be critical qualification for this project. The ideal consultant shall also demonstrate experience with large master planned projects, Smart Growth, transit oriented development, New Urbanism, Form Based Codes and sustainable development. Additionally, the ability to complete projects in a timely manner will be an important factor in selecting the most qualified development team. In addition, multi-disciplinary firms with a depth of in house expertise and senior management experience are preferable given the extent and importance of the work to be produced.

Statement of Qualifications

A complete concise Statement of Qualifications will allow the City to identify the most qualified consultant firm, and should be indicative of the consultants' ability to perform within the timeframe on processing entitlements of this size. A cover letter should articulate the desire and capability to undertake the project. At a minimum, proposals shall include the following, in order:

1.	Cover letter	
2.	Contact information (Mailing address, telephone, facsimile, e-mail address)	
3.		ltant qualifications Company fact sheet or profile Development team member qualifications (biographies) Special skills or expertise
4.		Itant team experience General Plan and other policy documents Specific Plans (similar to SPA Plans) Zoning regulations Preparation and review of environmental documents under CEQA Review of Tentative Maps Large master planned greenfield projects Smart Growth Transit-Oriented Development New Urbanism Form Based Codes Sustainable Development Water Quality Requirements of the San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board Large Scale Habitat Conservation Planning Traffic Studies Infrastructure Planning
5.		proposed to be subcontracted and identify subcontractors where possible)
		s of Qualification (10 bound, one unbound, and one .pdf on CD) must be o later than <u>August 29, 2008 at 5:00 p.m</u> . at the following address:
Atı	tn:	Scott Donaghe, Senior Planner City of Chula Vista Planning and Building Department 276 Fourth Avenue Chula Vista CA 91910

Selection Process

Selection of three qualified consultants will be based on professional qualifications, interviews, past project experience and performance, and other pertinent factors. The three qualified consultants will be asked to sit in a meeting with the applicants to answer any questions prior to the submittal of a response to a Request for Proposals (RFP).

Conceptual Timeline

Release of RFQ: August 8, 2008

<u>Submittal deadline</u>: August 29, 2008

Review of qualifications: 1 week (approx.)

Interview most qualified / 1 week (approx.)

Select top consultants:

Meet with applicants / City: 1 week (approx.)
Consultants Respond to 3 weeks (approx.)

Request for Proposals:

Review proposals / Select 1 week (approx.)

consultant or consultant

team

Negotiate contract 2 weeks (approx.)

Council Approval of

Contract

City's Rights

Issuance of this RFQ does not commit the City to award a contract or pay any costs incurred in the preparation of or in any response to this RFQ. City retains the right to reject any and all submittals. The execution of any contract pursuant to this RFQ is dependent upon the approval of the City Council in its sole and unfettered discretion. Any contract shall be prepared in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

By its issuance of the RFQ, the City is continuing its planning efforts for the area. The City is not committing itself or agreeing to undertake any activity requiring the subsequent exercise of discretion by the City, or any department thereof.

The City solely exercise its discretion as to all matters associated with this RFQ and the project, which it is, by law, entitled or required to exercise.

Additional Information and Resources

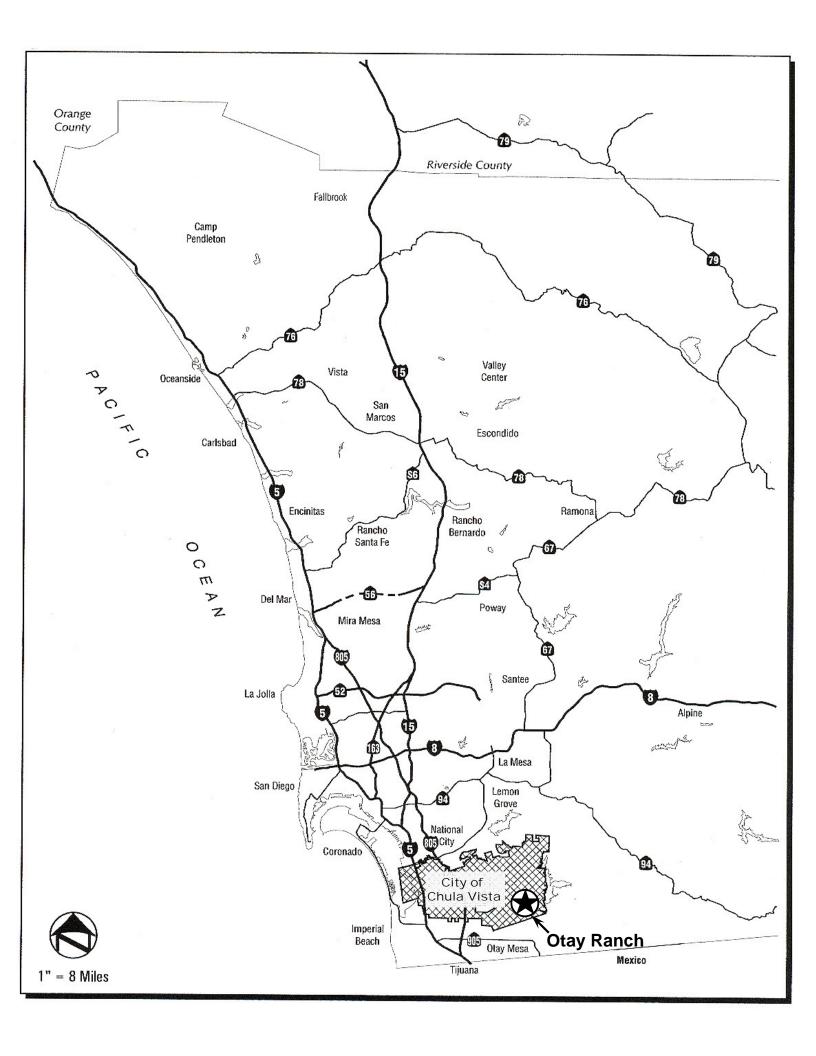
- Project Manager: Scott Donaghe, Senior Planner (619) 409-5806 or email at *sdonaghe @ci.chula-vista.ca.us*.
- Additional information about the City is available on-line at www.chulavistaca.gov, including mapping and parcel database.

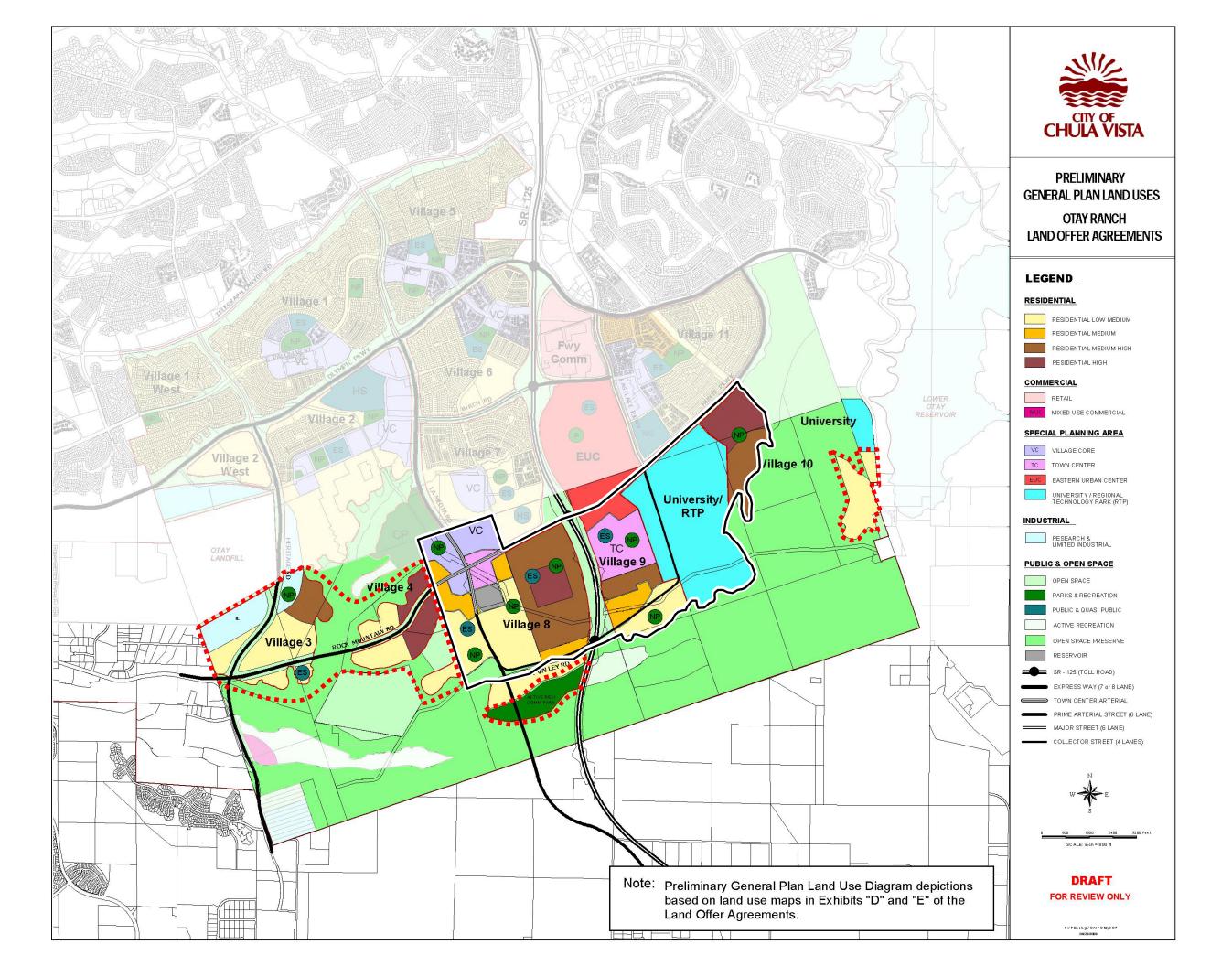
- The Chula Vista General Plan Update (GPU) is available on-line at:

 http://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Development_Services/Planning_Building/General_Plan/default.asp
- The City of Chula Vista's Municipal Code is available on-line at: http://www.codepublishing.com/ca/chulavista PDF.html
- The City of Chula Vista's Subdivision Manual is available on-line at: http://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Development_Services/Engineering/L_and/manual.asp
- The most recent example of a SPA Plan, Village Two, Three and a Portion of Four Sectional Planning Area (SPA) Plan is available online at: http://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Development_Services/Planning_Building/OR_Vg2_SPA.asp
- The City of Chula Vista's Multiple Species Conservation Plan is available online at: http://www.chulavistaca.gov/City_Services/Development_Services/Planning_Building/Planning/Environmental/subAreaPlan.asp

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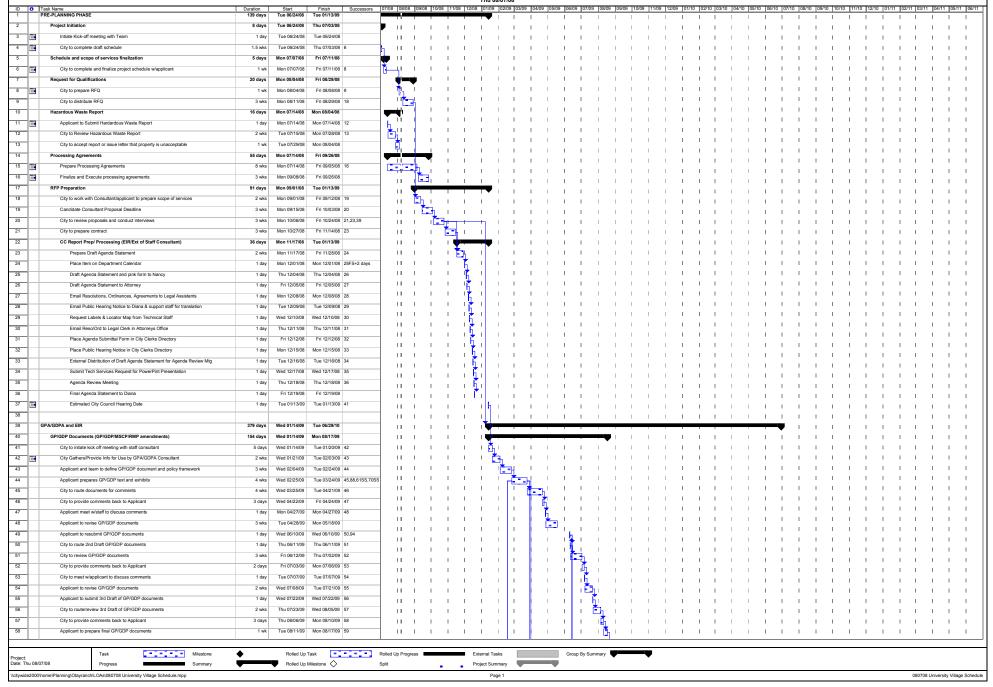
- 1. Exhibit A Locator Map
- 2. Exhibit B Draft LOA Map
- 3. Exhibit C Draft Processing Schedule



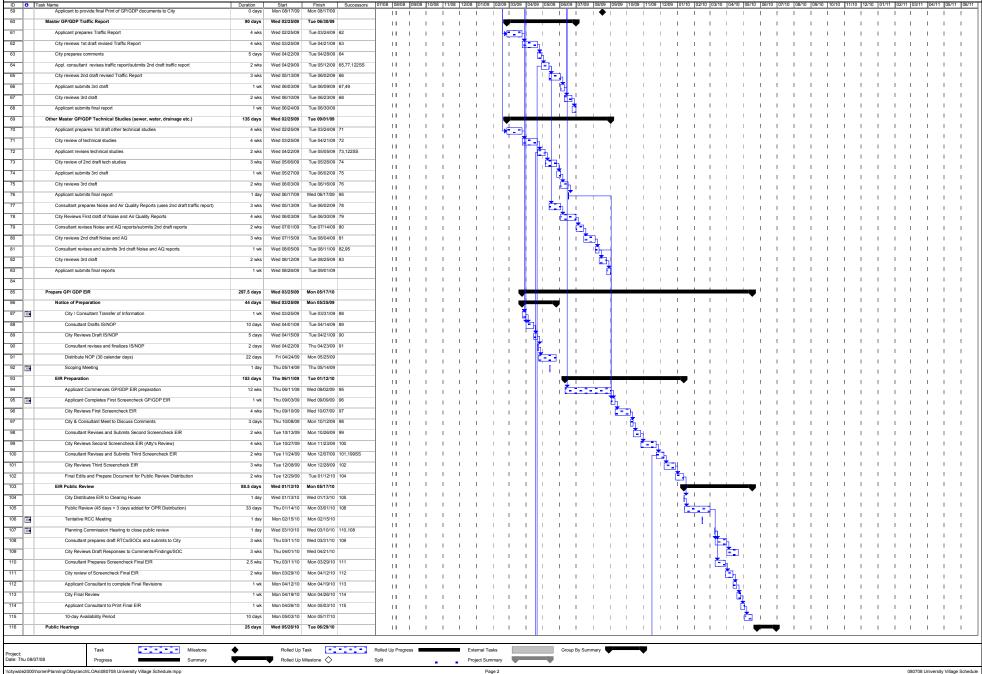


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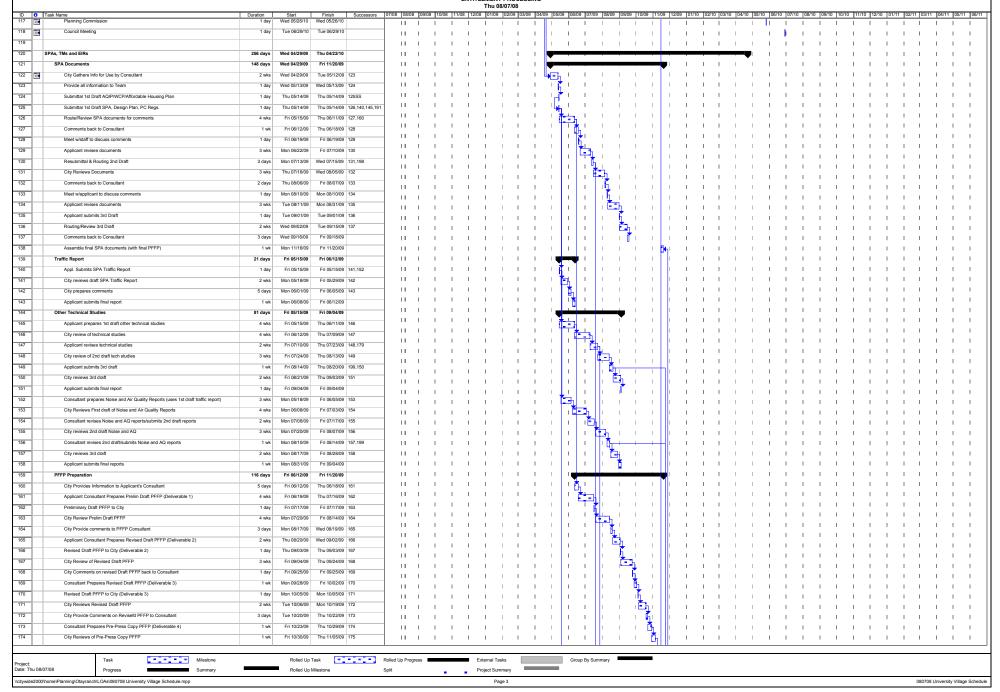
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